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Darling Wife:-

Just received your wonderful long letter of Monday, and honey, I sure can assure you, it made me happy. I felt "blue" yesterday because I had only received a very short letter, and the day before, none at all. I felt as if I could hardly await this morning to get the mail, and you can believe me truly, when I say I was happy when I beheld it. Sweetheart, when I read how you felt that night when you thought of the parting that must come when you leave, I couldn't help thinking of the old adage: "It's a wise father that knows his own child". Toots darling, I can hardly describe how wonderful you are. You are so gentle, considerate, kind and lovable! You haven't forgotten how much your mother suffered for you, and I can readily see how appreciative you are. Honey love, my main ambition is to take care of you, make you happy and contented as you justly deserve. Believe me, love heart it was a long time coming, but when it does, it will be so much sweeter. Yes, wifie dear, as soon as we get settled down, and I have mondean and the family properly provided for here, we will take our first vacation to New York and what is more, as often as I can afford to, so that you will be able to see your folks. Only, darling, please don't grieve so. The time is very near, and the day "her day" (May 1st) is coming, and you will come then into your own. Honey love, don't you worry about being able to cook. Anything you make is better than I can ever get while here, and I can assure you that we will both have enough and to spare, in time. Often times, my headaches do come from my stomach, and as soon as I feel that something is wrong, I take something to relieve it. I will do as you say, darling, I will take care of myself as best as I can, so that you won't have any cause to worry.

Precious mine, you will positively leave N. Y. on May 1st, that is, if the inevitable doesn't occur. I want you here, with me, as quickly as possible, so, regardless of what the people at the hospital say, you will take your vacation in the middle of april, prepare for your trip and then ———? You know Lorie don't you? Love, this is what's troubling me. How much will you need for the trip? I will make arrangements to borrow $100.00. Now, do you want that for the fare, or shall I keep it here for you when you come so that we may have a few extra dollars in the house. I would much rather send it to you for your fare & incidentals, so I will send it to you, if I don't hear from you to the contrary. I can't help it, Tootsie, but I am terribly lonesome for you. I do so want you here with me, so you just put in your application, immediately, for your vacation and be as independent about it as if you were an heiress. Hear? In the mean time, I'll try my best to keep along until May 3rd and then honey, believe me, we sure will be happy. Don't worry any further over it, for everything will come out O. K., my darling wife will be with me, and I will work & work to take the very, very best care of her. Pat remember, honey love, don't grieve and cry, but take things easy, for the time is not far away, and we both will make up for lost time.

Honey dear, don't worry about the furniture, as I have already made up my mind. I am going to buy the ivory set, and will pay it off on terms. So for all that mondean sends me, you can assure her that I will

pay her for it, but first, I want to pay her the $100.00 she kindly let me have. Believe me, honey love, a mother is a mother after all, and I sure will try my best to pay her for what she has done for me. After all, Toots, I might do as you say, take you to an hotel for a day or 2 and have the rooms and furniture ready so that when you come all you will do will be just to arrange the fixings, etc., but again, I might not, for I simply am anxious to have a home fixed up for you when you come. It good you like that book-case to your mom, with the davenport, as I would much rather get another one, one more in style. Wouldn't you? As for the shipping expense for the stuff that mom sean sends, I can easily provide for that, for whatever it costs it wouldn't cost as much as much as I would have to pay for things if I bought them here. Darling, you just decide with mom sean, as to what she can spare. Before I forget, love, when do you want me to send the trunk and where, or would you rather buy a new big one. If you want to buy a new one, let me know, and I will send you the money. (Hon.)

Honey love, I'll write to your mother at the first dance I get, so you needn't worry on that score. Several times I started to write, but couldn't finish, as one thing or other would turn up. You see, darling, how busy I was, if I couldn't write you as much as I wanted to in the other letter. I am glad that Barney makes out well, and hope he continues. The small building is the only thing to start on, and when times are such that I can afford to move into more quarters, I'll do so. As it is, I have a pretty office, nice and comfortable, and an excellent location. I sure do wish you were here to see it. Some day, though, eh? I told you in yesterday's letter that I was going to get an income tax return to make out, well, I did, last night, and got $3.00. If my personal expenses wouldn't be so great, I would have been able to save a few dollars, but anyway, I am glad that I can say, I'm making my expenses at least. Here is some good news, too. Last night, Mr. Pristeri's brother asked me to write a letter for him which I did and being pleased with it, he asked me to take care of his books. I told him I was sick glad too, for I would only have to see him 1 night a week & make necessary entries. I don't know when he want me to begin, but I believe by the 1st of April anyway, and will get probably $12 or $15 a month, which will be a steady income. So you see, if I get that it will mean, with my students $10, other $20 or $25 a month steady income. Isn't that fine, Toots? Then, this fellow Pristeri, the man that want me, is very wealthy and has a nice dry-goods store business, so I feel sure that I will get a little law business from him besides. I sure did feel happy last night over that. Herman Goldberger is hanging around. Haven't decided yet what to do. I would rather be in partnership with my darling little wifie, though. I must say, Toots, that Goldberger did surprise me. He took care of my cases, and won them for me, so all I have to do is to write these different people and see if I can collect my fees on them. What do you think of that, eh? A little different from what B. G. Lee did, eh? Don't worry love, little by little, business is picking up, and if I get that Notary Publicship, I'll be alright.

Honey love, I sure thought that the wedding would be entirely different from what you described it to be. I sure am sorry to know that you

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worked so hard, as did Saunders & Rae. So you found out who took care of me for a penny when I was young, eh? See, didn't I tell you, the ladies were wild (?) for me when I was young? Reminds me of the old joke: "when a fellow's young, the big girls kiss him, and when he gets older, the little girls kiss him." You have heard that before, haven't you? Certainly was sorry that the Lipmans had such a hard time there. By the way, love dear, your hubby pine is negligent with his mail. You want to bawl him out one in a while. I haven't as yet answered Lipmans' last letter, but as soon as I get time, I'll write him, too. Sure do hope that the bridegroom didn't return his suit with your mother's gift. He and his "petite & charmante little wife" are both so clever, that they're liable to do anything. Would like to get the cards "Sante" Rae promised to send me. Certainly was sorry that Rae lost her pin, but for her birthday, we'll send her a nice one for a gift, eh, Tootsie? Sure am glad that the wedding is over with and hope all hard work attached to it is over, too. Honey love, I could just imagine how you felt at the ceremony. Oh, Toots, Toots, if I could only be with you already! I yearn for you so! Each day, I love you more and more. As each day passes, I figure up the remainder to see how much longer you will be away. Honey love, no more! Hereafter, wherever I will go, you will go, for separation from you is practically quite impossible. One thing though, honey love, it sure has taught me what love means, didn't it? I am surprised myself to see how this separation has caused me to suffer. I just simply can't stand it. Everything I do, wherever I go, I feel that something is constantly tugging at my heart strings, and honey, believe me, I'll be keeping on loving, and hugging you all - all the time, forever and ever. Honey love, I'd give 10 years of my life just to give you a kiss! It sure does make me happy to even think that the time is so near that I will be able to give you and get a kiss. Honey love, believe me, I'm going to make up for all the kisses I missed. Sure, love, would have liked to see Henry E. in the blouse you made for him. He sure is some kid.

As for Mr. Lazar, I've been so busy, and so has he, that we don't see very much of each other. If I am out and he's in, he takes any message for me that comes, and vice versa. Darling, write to him if you so desire, but I for one, don't care to interfere. As for Mrs Lazar, I'll give her your regards. She is trying for me to make up with the Doc, but somehow, even now, I feel the hurt. Maybe, some day, everything will clear up.

I am ready to file my big suit for damages, and then have another little case to set for trial. What do you think of this: Bernatsky turned over a little case to me, where he wants to sue. I sure was surprised that he should give me any kind of a case. Aren't

on? I am sure, lovie, that everything will turn out alright. My practice will continue to grow, and then we'll have easy sailing, eh? You may be sure, lovie dear, that I am trying best to make a nice living, and eventually am certain, I will succeed.

Precious baby, don't worry, the time will soon be here and you will be happy and contented. Follow the same advice you give me. Just keep thinking of how near the time is, when you will be in Memphis. As a matter of fact, love, you should begin preparing actually to pack up. Don't forget to let me know about the trunk. Then again love, try and get your things in one place, the place where you are going to do your packing, so you won't have very much running around to do.

Honey, tonight I go to the lodge to be initiated. Will go along with my uncle and Bernatsky's nephew. I sure do hope it's over with, already.

My darling, will have to close now, as I have several appointments to keep and don't want to miss the mail, so, precious jewel mine, with all my love, kisses and hugs to you, my own darling wife, and hoping, trusting, and praying that soon, very soon, we will be happily together, and thanking you, darling, my own, for your sweet, pure wishes for a good-night and with a God bless you and spare you, my own wife, light of my life,

Your terribly lonesome and loving hubby

Joe

Honey love, have I answered your dear questions? If I haven't, precious, scold me, but don't, please don't stop "alovin and aluggin" me. Will you, Toots? I love you, darling, I love you!